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UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

OF

PROPRIETORS

Held on WEDNESDAY, *the* 23*rd of* FEBRUARY, 1831.

JOHN CAM HOBHOUSE, Esq. M.P., on the Motion of His Grace the Duke of Somerset, was called to the Chair.

The Chairman read the following names of the Members of Council, and of the Auditors, who go out of Office at this Meeting: viz.—

As Members of Council.

The Right Hon. Lord AUCKLAND.
JAMES RIVETT CARNAC, Esq.
The Hon. GEORGE AGAR ELLIS, M.P.
JAMES LOCH, Esq. M.P.
JAMES MORRISON, Esq. M.P.
JOHN WHISHAW, Esq.
JOSEPH HUME, Esq., *resigned.*

As Auditors.

GEORGE G. DE HOCHEPIED LARPENT, Esq.
SAMUEL FAVELL, Esq., *deceased.*

The Chairman then read the names of those Proprietors who had been put in nomination to fill up the vacancies, according to the 49th Clause of the Deed of Settlement.

On the Motion of Mr. Alderman VENABLES, the following Proprietors were appointed Scrutineers for the Ballot:

THOMAS COPE, Esq.
The Rev. JAMES YATES.

The Warden then read the following

REPORT

FROM THE COUNCIL.

THE COUNCIL have drawn up their Report under the following heads: Finances, Building, Library and Museums, Students, Professors, Hospital and Dispensary. They begin with

FINANCES.

The total Capital in Shares and Donations at the 31st of December last amounted to 164,412*l.* 10*s.*, as follows:

	£	*s.*	*d.*
1614 Shares of £100	161,400	0	0
Donations	2,377	10	0
Payments on Forfeited Shares	635	0	0
	£164,412	10	0

Of this sum, 155,428*l.* 18*s.* 2*d.* had been received. The remainder consisted of the following Arrears:

			£	s.	d.
On First and Second Instalments, due		24th Jan. 1827 ..	189	5	0
Third	do.	1st Aug. ..	465	0	0
Fourth	do.	5th Feb. 1828 ..	645	0	0
Fifth	do.	15th July ..	1155	0	0
Sixth	do.	16th Nov. ..	1170	0	0
Seventh	do.	16th Feb. 1829 ..	1585	0	0
Eighth	do.	15th June ..	2410	0	0
Ninth	do.	1st Dec. ..	1364	6	10
			£8983	11	10

Nearly £1200 of the above Arrears arise from Instalments on Shares which have been taken at a comparatively recent period, and all of which are not yet due; and of the Arrears generally, £1230 have been received since the 31st of December. The Arrears due by Proprietors, who ought long since to have paid up their Shares in full, amount to £6570 at this day. The Council may declare forfeited any Shares on which the Instalments are not duly paid; but they are unwilling to resort to that measure if it can be avoided. They cannot, however, allow any degree of uncertainty as to the available resources of the University to continue longer; and the Shares of all Proprietors who unreasonably neglect to attend to the notices they receive to pay up their Arrears, must be considered as forfeited.

The total Expenditure to the 31st of December last has been 150,610*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.* as follows:

				£.	*s.*	*d.*
Amount at 31st of December 1829, as stated in last Report				133,607	10	9
Expenditure in the Year 1830 above Receipts, the items of which are given in the Appendix to this Report				17,003	6	8
				150,610	17	5
The Debts amount to				3,195	1	8
Total outlay of capital				153,805	19	1
		£.	*s.*	*d.*		
Leaving an unappropriated Balance at 1st of Jan. 1831.	Cash in hand	4,818	0	9		
	Arrears of Instalm^{ts}	8,983	11	10		
		13,801	12	7		
	Debts	3,195	1	8		
					10,606	10	11
					£164,412	10	0

In the last Report an expectation was entertained that the Balance of Funds at the 1st of January 1831 would have been £12,000: that expectation has not been realized from several causes. In the first place, the sum estimated to be due to the contractor for works executed in the year 1829, the accounts not having been rendered, was £1200; it has amounted to rather more than £2000. 2ndly, from claims to the amount of £160 from tradesmen, of which the Council were not aware. 3rdly, from alterations that were made last autumn in the Theatre of Anatomy and Dissecting Room, and Laboratory of Materia Medica, which were urgently required, that have cost above £650. And 4thly, from a diminution in the receipts from Students to the amount of nearly £600.

At the conclusion of this Report will be found a detailed Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1830, as examined and signed by the Auditors.

In the last Report it was stated, that the charge for the year 1830, including moderate additions to the Museums and Library, would be £5500, meaning thereby the ordinary charge for carrying on the business of the University. The sum actually expended has been 5396*l.* 18*s.* 7*d.*

A Special Finance Committee was appointed last month for the purpose of examining the particulars of every branch of the Expenditure, with the view of ascertaining whether any reduction could be effected consistently with the interest of the University; and the Council are satisfied that the charge for ordinary expenses in the year 1831 cannot be estimated at less than £5200. A saving of £200 has been effected in consequence of the Warden having last December voluntarily relinquished £200 of his salary.

In addition to the Statement of Receipts and Expenditure for the year 1830, rendered in compliance with the provision in the Deed of Settlement to that effect, there will be found in the Appendix an account of income and ordinary expenditure for the Academical Session of 1829–30, as was promised in the Report to last Annual Meeting.

It will be in the recollection of Proprietors, that in order to finish the Great Library, Hall, and Museum of Natural History, a scheme was brought forward for raising £10,000 by 100 Supplemental Shares, to be replaced to the Subscribers by Original Shares as they came in. Seventy-five of these Supplemental Shares have only as yet been taken; and by the terms of the scheme the work cannot be begun until one hundred be subscribed.

Building.

The whole of the work contracted for is finished; the Accounts have been rendered, and the Balance due to the Contractors is 1942*l.* 11*s.*

Library and Museums.

The Library has been augmented during the last year by 571 Volumes, of which 241 have been purchased, and 330 have been Donations. The General Library now contains 6055 Volumes; the Medical Library 2100; the Law Library 993; the Ricardo Collection of Political Economy 450;—making together 9598 Volumes.

No material additions can be made by purchase until the funds are increased; but many vacancies in the Collection might be filled up by contributions of a very moderate extent from each individual among so large a body of Proprietors, most of whom, it is probable, have some volumes which they could part with without inconvenience.

The Museum of Natural History has likewise received some accessions in the course of the year by Purchases and Donations. The largest contributor has been Thomas Wilson, Esq. a Member of Council, who having heard that a useful collection which was on sale could be purchased for a hundred guineas, gave that sum, and liberally presented it to the University. The objects of Natural History have been removed to a larger room, and are now seen to greater advantage.

The Museum of Anatomy is daily receiving new preparations, which are put up at the expense of the University by Mr. Hind the Curator. They now amount to 1870 in all, 235 having been added in the last year. The Collection of Drawings, in illustration of Pathological Anatomy, has been considerably augmented in the course of the year, and now contains nearly 1100 delineations.

A list of the Donations to the Library and Museums will be found in the Appendix to this Report; but the Council feel themselves especially called upon to notice a recent contribution to the Medical Library from the Right Hon. Thomas

Grenville, who has presented a very handsome copy of the splendid anatomical work of Mascagni, edited by Antomarchi.

Students.

The number of Students enrolled for the present Session amounts to 516, of whom 204 have entered for branches of General Education, 60 for Law only, and 252 for the Medical Classes. Besides these, 39 have attended the popular Lectures on Natural Philosophy. No material alteration has taken place in the system of education, which calls for notice in this Report. Since last Annual Meeting the Chair of the Philosophy of the Mind and Logic has been filled up, by the appointment of the Rev. John Hoppus. The Professor has opened a class, which is attended by 32 Students.

Some individual Proprietors, in the course of the last year, subscribed the necessary funds, and established a Day School for the purpose of preparing Pupils for the University; and in order to connect it in some degree with the University, and thus more distinctly announce the object for which it was established, the Subscribers gave the nomination of the Head Master to the Council. The Rev. Henry Browne, A.M., of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, was appointed; and the School, under his management, has been so eminently successful, that although it was opened only on the 1st of November, there are now 116 Pupils, which is very nearly as many as the House can receive.

The rapid success of this School seems to point out very clearly a growing approbation on the part of the public of that system, upon which this University has been founded, viz. the union of public instruction with parental superintendence. If adequate funds were provided, it is probable that a much larger Day School might be established as an integral part of the University, thereby greatly extending its usefulness, and materially advancing its interest with reference to the elementary classes of General Education.

Professors.

The Council were called upon to elect a Professor of English, in the room of the Rev. Thomas Dale, who resigned at the close of last Session; and they have chosen Alexander Blair, LL.D. They thought it expedient, at the same time, to make an alteration in the duties of that Professor, who will, in future, teach English Philology, by which is understood the structure of our own language, and the art of composition in it; and Rhetoric; and he will also give a course of Lectures on English Literature.

Mr. Galiano has resigned the Professorship of the Spanish Language and Literature, and it is not the intention of the Council to appoint another.

The Professorship of History is vacant by the resignation of Dr. Malkin.

Mr. Charles Bell has resigned the Professorship of Physiology, and the Council will shortly proceed to name a successor. In the mean time they appointed Dr. Southwood Smith to give the Spring Course of Lectures in that department.

Dr. Conolly has resigned the Professorship of the Nature and Treatment of Diseases, and the Council will proceed to elect another in his room in the course of next month.

A vacancy took place in the department of Medical Jurisprudence, and Dr. Thomson and Mr. Amos were appointed to deliver a Course of Lectures on that subject during the present Session.

A new arrangement has been made in the department of Anatomy, by the appointment of Mr. Bennett, formerly Demonstrator, as joint Professor of Anatomy with Mr. Pattison; and the Demonstrations and Dissections are now conducted under the joint superintendence of Mr. Pattison and Mr. Bennett, assisted by Mr. Richard Quain and Mr. Benjamin Phillips.

Hospital and Dispensary.

No progress has been made in the past year in the important matter of an Hospital. The advantage which such an Institution would afford to the Medical School, is felt more and more every day; but to accomplish it, a large sum of money must be collected, and it is obvious that this can only be effected by the activity and hearty co-operation of large numbers. The Council earnestly press this subject upon the consideration of the Proprietors, upon whose exertions the attainment of such an object must mainly depend.

The Dispensary continues to be not only useful to the University Medical School, but a great benefit to the neighbouring poor. 1710 patients were relieved in the last year; and there is every prospect that the Fees of Students, and the Annual Subscriptions, will now defray the whole expense of the Establishment.

In the number of Students there has been a diminution in this year to the number of 70, arising principally from a decrease in the Law Classes.

The Council earnestly request the attention of the Proprietors to the state of the Finances of the University; it is perfectly clear, from the very limited resources at present existing, that the most strenuous exertions on the part of the Proprietors are now indispensably necessary for the welfare of the Institution. The Council are desirous of adhering to the utmost economy, compatible with the maintenance of an efficient system; and they look with confidence to the Proprietors and Friends of Education for the supply of those funds, which, in the infancy of the Institution, must be expended. The Revenue will be best augmented by the increase of the number of Shareholders and Students; and to the attainment of those two objects, they confidently trust the

efforts of the Proprietors will be vigorously directed. The great difficulties incident to the commencement of a new undertaking have been surmounted, the desire for Education is rapidly increasing amongst all classes, and its necessity admitted, with scarcely an exception; the success already obtained, and the prospects in view, all justify the Council in assuring the Proprietors of their confident belief, that the London University will flourish on a firm and stable basis, if that energy, which gave birth to the Institution, produce, for a short period to come, corresponding exertions.

The Council have made application for a Charter of Incorporation, and they have good reason to believe that this object will be ultimately effected to the very great advantage of the interests of the Institution.

(By order of the Council)

LEONARD HORNER,

Warden.

Ordinary Receipts and Expenditure for the Year, from 1st October, 1829, to 30th September, 1830.

	£	s.	d.
Fees from Students	3941	16	8
Deficiency	1436	11	3
	£5378	7	11

	£	s.	d.
Salaries	1929	12	8
Attendants' Wages	635	15	0
Advertisements	360	7	1
Printing	204	9	9
Stationery	35	10	8
Stamps	9	3	6
Postages and Porterages	32	8	11
Rent and Taxes of House for Warden	200	0	0
Taxes, Parochial Rates, and Water Rates	289	19	4
Fire Insurance	144	19	6
Fuel and Light	381	19	7
House Steward's incidental Expenses	31	2	7
House Repairs	67	1	6
Miscellaneous Service	24	6	6
Collection for the Medical School	300	0	0
Apparatus for Natural Philosophy and Chemistry, and collection for Natural History	210	0	0
Library	120	0	0
Distribution of Prizes	186	16	6
Dissecting Room	214	14	10
	£5378	7	11

Account of Receipts and Payments by the University of London, for the Year 1830.

RECEIPTS.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Balance at 31st December 1829				11,680	2	5
First Deposit	300	0	0			
Second Instalment	340	0	0			
Third ditto	345	0	0			
Fourth ditto	465	0	0			
Fifth ditto	655	0	0			
Sixth ditto	945	0	0			
Seventh ditto	1,600	0	0			
Eighth ditto	3,285	0	0			
Last ditto	2,056	5	0			
Donations	150	0	0			
Proportion of Fees from Students paid to the University Fund	3,141	16	8			
Interest (balance of)	81	11	1			
				13,364	12	9
				£25,044	15	2

PAYMENTS.

	£.	s.	d.	£.	s.	d.
Buildings	11,787	15	7			
Furniture	457	6	3			
Library	300	9	0			
Apparatus for Natural Philosophy	237	2	6			
Chemical Apparatus ..	171	13	7			
Collection for Natural History	120	3	7			
Collection for the Medical School	592	3	11			
				13,666	14	5
Dispensary	352	5	1			
Expenses of Dissecting Room	123	19	6			
Specimens for Lectures on Botany	150	0	0			
Prizes	186	16	6			
				812	1	1
Guarantees to Professors				1,795	15	2
Salaries	1785	16	8			
Attendants' Wages	662	13	0			
Advertisements	138	17	6			
Printing	204	9	9			
Stationery	17	17	7			
Stamps	9	18	6			
Postages and Porterages	31	2	1			
Rent and Taxes of House for Warden	200	0	0			
Taxes, Parochial Rates, and Water Rate	289	19	4			
Fuel and Light	288	12	11			
House-Steward's incidental Expenses	35	10	8			
House Repairs	76	7	0			
Miscellaneous Service	66	15	7			
Furniture Repairs	41	1	11			
House Carpenter	102	1	3			
				3,951	3	9
Balance, Smith, Payne, and Smiths	2,210	14	6			
Coutts and Co.	1,029	6	8			
Bank of Scotland	1,577	3	2			
Cash in hand	0	16	5			
				4,818	0	9
				£25,044	15	2

Audited 2nd Feb. 1831.

(Signed) S. JONES LOYD.
ISAAC SOLLY

THE REPORT of the COUNCIL having been read,

It was Resolved, on the Motion of the Right Hon. Lord SUFFIELD, seconded by DANIEL SYKES, Esq. M.P.

That the Report of the Council be approved of, and that it be printed, and circulated among the Proprietors.

It was Resolved, on the Motion of the Right Hon. Lord KING, seconded by Colonel LESLIE GROVE JONES,

That the cordial thanks of the Proprietors be given to the Council for the zeal and assiduity with which they have discharged the duties of the trust confided to them.

The Meeting proceeded to Ballot; and the Scrutineers declared under their signature the following seven Proprietors to have been duly elected as Members of Council.

The Right Hon. Viscount EBRINGTON, M.P.
The Right Hon. Lord KING.
WILLIAM MARSHALL, Esq. M.P.
JOHN H. MERIVALE, Esq.
Sir HENRY PARNELL, Bart. M.P.
JOHN ROMILLY, Esq.
EDWARD STRUTT, Esq. M.P.
And GEORGE W. NORMAN, Esq.
JOHN LEWIS PREVOST, Esq. } as Auditors.

JOHN C. HOBHOUSE.

The Right Hon. Lord SUFFIELD having been called to the Chair,

It was Resolved, on the Motion of WILLIAM SMITH, Esq. M.P., seconded by HENRY WARBURTON, Esq. M.P.

That the thanks of the Proprietors be given to JOHN CAM HOBHOUSE, Esq. M.P. for his kindness in taking the Chair upon this occasion, and for the able manner in which he has conducted the business of the Meeting.

SUFFIELD.

COUNCIL AND AUDITORS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

Council.

Wm. Bingham Baring, Esq. M.P.
Dr. Birkbeck.
The Right Hon. Lord Brougham.
Sir T. Denman, M.P.
The Rt. Hon. Viscount Ebrington, M.P.
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The Right Hon. Lord King.
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James Mill, Esq.
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John Romilly, Esq.
The Right Hon. Visc. Sandon.
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His Grace the Duke of Somerset.
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Henry Warburton, Esq. M.P.
Henry Waymouth, Esq.
Thomas Wilson, Esq.

Auditors.

Samuel Jones Loyd, Esq.
G. W. Norman, Esq.
J. L. Prevost, Esq.
Isaac Solly, Esq.

DONATIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY

DURING THE YEAR 1830.

	£.	s.	d.
Sir Henry Parnell, Bart. M.P.	50	0	0
Samuel Evans, Esq. of Dublin	50	0	0
John Aldam, Esq. of Leeds	50	0	0
	£150	0	0

The following Public Bodies and Individuals have sent Donations to the Library since the last Annual General Meeting. Those distinguished by a mark, have sent contributions at various times.

Directors of the East India Company.
Royal Asiatic Society.
Royal College of Surgeons.
* Society for the Diffusion of Useful Knowledge.
* Sir Thomas Denman, M.P.
E. Tufnell, Esq.
* Leonard Horner, Esq. F.R.S. Warden of the University.
* Dr. Turner, Professor of Chemistry.
* Rev. Joseph Hughes.
Captain Forman, R.N.
Mr. Kennedy.
Dr. Olinthus Gregory.

Joseph Hume, Esq. M.P.
* Charles Bell, Esq.
J. J. Park, Esq.
J. Taylor, Esq.
Mr. Davis.
Alexander Trotter, Esq.
J. Williams, Esq.
* Dr. R. E. Grant, Professor of Zoology.
Professor Key.
* Basil Montagu, Esq.
Col. J. A. Broughton.
Professor Bennett.
* C. H. Hebb, Esq.
Lord Auckland.
Dr. Rosen, Professor of Eastern Languages, &c.
Rev. B. Mardon.
The Commissioners of Public Records.

Donations to the MUSEUM of ANATOMY since the last Annual General Meeting have been received from the following individuals. Those Gentlemen who are marked * have been particularly liberal in their contributions at various times.

* Dr. Davies, Professor of Midwifery.
* Dr. A. T. Thomson, Professor of Materia Medica.
Richard Frankum, Esq.
* James Wardrop, Esq.
* William Pretty, Esq.
Mr. Rowe.

And the following Students of the University:

Mr. Ryan.
Mr. Owen.
Mr. White.
Mr. Chandler.
Mr. Peart.

Donations to the MUSEUM of NATURAL HISTORY since the last Annual General Meeting have been received from the following individuals. Those Gentlemen who are marked * have been particularly liberal in their contributions at various times.

* Zoological Society.
* Mr. Leadbeater.
* Mr. Kennell, Accountant to the University.
Dr. Reilly of Bristol.
Mr. Pinco, Surgeon, R.N.
Mrs. Somerville.
Mr. Arnott, Surgeon to the Queen.

And the following Students of the University:

Mr. Jorden.
Mr. Garner.
Mr. Bostock.
Mr. L. Beale.
Mr. Lemann.

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